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# An Intro

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as wel to make as also to  
perceyue the tenour and  
forme of indentures obli  
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condyte.



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The fourme of makynge indentures. fo. ij.

An Indenture betwixt cooper teners.



This Indenture made the  
v. daye of Marche, in the  
xxvii. yere of the reygne of  
Kynge henry the yght, by-  
twene John Terroll and  
Edward Wylson citizens  
& haberdashers of London  
on the one partye. And John Wessm and  
Rycharde James of the same city, grocers  
on that other partle. Wytneseth that wher  
as at the daye of the makynge hereof, it is ac-  
corded, couenaunted, concluded and agreed  
betwene the sayd parties, and eyther of the  
same parties by him selfe and for his owne  
parte, couenaunteth, graunteth and byndeth  
him selfe to the other, that they and ether of  
them shall joyntly as parteners occupy to-  
gyther aswel in bying and sellyng of all ma-  
ner goodes, wares, and marchaundyses as  
by factorshipp, alienacyon, exchaunge and  
other wyse aswel beyonde the sea as on this  
syde, that is to saye, from the day of the ma-  
kynge hereof vnto the ende and terme of. v.  
yeres then next folowynge, and fully to be  
complete and ended. Durynge whiche tyme,  
or terme, eyther of the sayde parties shalbe  
just, saythfull and true to the other, in by-  
yng



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inge and selling, and otherwyle, as is afore  
sayde. And all suche lucre, profytte and en-  
crease, gayne aduantage & wyning as shal  
come and growe in bying and sellynge any  
goodes, wares or marchaundyses, and other  
wyle durynge the said terme, shalbe equally  
parted and deuyded betwene the sayde par-  
ties: that is to saye, eyther of them to haue  
his iust and true porcion. or parte of þe gaine  
as aforesayde. And at al tymes within the  
sayde terme, when it shal please either of þe  
sayde parties to geue monition or warnynge  
to other, then eyther of them to make the o-  
ther a iust and a true reckenyng & accompte  
of the byinge and sellynge of al maner of wa-  
res, goodes, marchaundyses, and otherwyle  
as is aforesayde, and of the encrease and ad-  
uantage that shal come and growe of the  
same. And also it is couenanted & agreed  
betwene the sayde parties, that yf eyther  
of the sayde parties at any tyme within the  
sayde terme happen to lose by detters calu-  
nitye or otherwyle anye parte or parcell, of  
the occupynge in byenge and sellynge of any  
goodes, wares, and marchaundyses, and o-  
therwyle in maner and forme as is afore-  
sayde, the other shal be bounden to make  
reparacion to the other, in such maner as  
shal be iudged by the iustices of the lawe.  
In witness whereof, the parties hath hereunto  
set their hands and seals, the first day of  
Maye, in the first yere of the reygne of  
Henry the eighth.



sayde: so that it be not by negligence, colour  
or fayned pretence, and that immediately p  
ued: that the same losse be boine equally by  
twene eyther of þ sayd parties. And also it  
is couenaunted, concluded, and agreed be  
twene the sayd parties, and eyther of them  
by them selues, & for his owne part prompt  
seth, couenanteth, & graunteth to the other,  
that yf any of them within the sayd terme,  
that at this presente tyme are not espoused,  
happen hereafter to espouse & mary a wyfe  
that then forthwyth, it shall be at the wyll  
and pleasure of the other whether the par  
tye so espoused or maryed shall any longer  
continue as partener accordyng to the e  
mour and fourme aboue reherfed.

And also it is agreed, that yf eyther of the  
sayde parties happen (as God besen de) at  
any tyme within the sayde terme to dy, thā  
the executours or administratours of the  
goodes and cattalles of the partye so dece  
sed shall trulye wythout any couyn or gyle,  
make a iuste and a true accompt and redye  
payment and deliuerance of all suche en  
creases and gaynes as then shall be remay  
nyng to the other lyuyng.

### The fourme of making

And moreouer, it is couenaunted and agreed betwene the sayde parties, that if eyther of them be founde untrue in hys recepyunge & accompt contrarye to the true meanyng of this presente Indenture, to the value of twentye shyllynges sterlyng, then the same party so founde defectyfe to forsayt and pay to the other an hundred poundes sterlyng without any delaye accordyng to the tenour and true meanyng of this present Indenture. And to all and synguler couenauntes promisses, condicions and paymentes afore sayde on eyther partye to be truly wythout couin or fraude obserued, fulfilled and kept in maner and fourme as is afore sayd, eyther party for him & his executours bindeth himselfe to the other in the summe of thye hundred poundes sterlyng wel and truly to be payde by these presentes.

In wytnes wherof the parties aforesayde to these Indentures enterchangeably haue sette to theyr seales: Gyuen the daye and yere aboue sayde.

### An Indenture for a lease.

**T**his indenture made the. xi. daye of Iulye: in the. xxix. yere of þe raygne of kynge Henrye the. viii. betwene  
... .. Thomas ap Iayse gentleman on the  
one

one partye. And Richard Sapsō of Steple  
 langford in the sayd countye of Wylshyre  
 husbandmā on the other partye, witnesseth  
 that the sayde Thomas hath graunted betak-  
 ken & to ferme let vnto the sayd Richard al  
 that his pasture & shepe leases set, lying, and  
 being within the parryshe of Bishopstowne  
 in the sayde countye of Wylshyre to gyther  
 with. ii. c. shepe, the whyche leases is set &  
 lying within the parryshe of Steplelagford  
 in the sayde countye of Wylshyre that is to  
 saye betwene the lādes of Thomas Hullye  
 on the easte part, the lādes of Tho. Bawin.  
 on the west part, the lādes of the lorde Fitz-  
 warch, on the north part & the kynges high  
 way on the south pte, also together with. ij.  
 c. shepe: to haue and to holde al y sayd shepe  
 leases with thappurtenaunces togyther w  
 the sayd. ij. c. shepe with al the encrease com-  
 moditie and aduauntage to the sayde shepe  
 belongynge or in anye wyse appertaynyng  
 with fre outgate and ingate at such wayes  
 wont and accustomed at all tymes and sea-  
 sons as shall please the sayd Richard, frō  
 the feast of s. Peter thaduincle next cōming  
 after the date hereof, vnto the ende & terme  
 of fyue yeres then next ensuyng, and fullye  
 to be complete yeldynge and payinge there-



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tole perely durynge the sayde terme vnto þ  
sayde Thomas or to his executours or assi-  
gnes. **10. li.** of good and lawefull moneye of  
England at two termes of the yere, that is  
to saye at þ feastes of the purificatiō of our  
lady, and s. Peter thadupnle by even porci-  
ons. And it is agreed betwene the sayd par-  
ties that the sayd Rycharde Sampson shall  
in thende of the sayd terme of .v. yeres rede-  
lyuer or cause to be redelyuered all the sayd  
shepe vnto þ sayd Thomas ap Ryse or to his  
assignes pay or cause to be paid vnto þ same  
Tho. ap Ryse for euery of the sayd shepe so  
lackynge. **5. s.** And yf it fortune or happe the  
sayde perelye rente of thre pounde to be be-  
hynde vnpayde in parte or in al by the space  
of one moneth next after any terme of pay-  
ment at any of the feastes aforesayd, þ then  
it shall be lefull vnto the sayde Thomas ap  
Ryse & to his heires, executours & assignes,  
into all the shepe, leases with other the pre-  
misses & theyr appurtenances to reetre and  
as in his former estate haue agayne and re-  
possede, the graunt of the sayde Thomas in  
any thyng notwithstanding. In wytnesse  
whereof the parties aforesayde to these in-  
dentures sondrelye haue set to theyr seales  
gyuen the daye and yere abouesayde.

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An Indenture of lease for a ferme.

**T**his indenture made betwene Thomas Wyre cytezin & mercer of London on that one party and Richard Hyll of Falsstowe in the countye of Wilthyre husbandman on that other party wytneseth þ the sayde Thomas hath graunted betaken & to ferme letten vnto the sayd Richard al that his manour called Bobiōs lyeng in þ parishe of Romer in the couētie of Kent w all the lādes tenementes medowes lesues pastures wooddes & all other apurtenaunces to the sayd manour any wyse pertaynyng or belongyng. The exception.

Excepted & reserved vnto the sayd Thomas Wyre to hys executors & assignes al the chambze & losse w the wydraughte ioyning to the same lyeng at þ west ende of the sayd manoure together w free entre & issue of comyng & goyng for the sayd Thomas w his executors assignes & seruantes into & from the sayd chamber. To haue & to holde the sayd manour & al other the premisses w thappurtenaunces excepte before except to þ sayd Richard Hyll hys executors & assignes fro þ feast of ester next comyng after þ date here of to thende & terme of .xv. yeaeres then next ensuyng and fully to be complete

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**The payment.**

Yeldyng and payeng therfore yerely duringe the sayd terme to the sayde Thomas his heires and executours .x.li. of laful money of Englande at .iiii. termes of the yere that is to saye at the feastes of the natiuitie of saynt John Baptist, saynt Michael & archangel, the natiuitie of our Lorde & Easter by euen porcions.

**Another kynde of payment.**

Yelding and payeng therfore yerely duringe the sayd terme to the sayde Thomas Wyre hys heires & executours at the feast of saynt Michael tharchangel a double Fellowshipe if it be axed for al maner cōtes charges and seruices by the sayde Wycharde or hys executours therfore to be borne or payd duringe the sayd terme for as much as the sayd Wycharde at instance of the same Thomas and for hys dette hath taken vpon him to pay a certayne sūme of money amōūtyng to the value of & reutes and profytes of the sayd manoure by all the sayd terme.

**The Reparation.**

And the sayd Wycharde hys executours & assignes the forsayd manoure wyth other the premyssees and the appurtenaunces shal well and competently repayre, susteyne and maynteyne.

mayntayne of hys proper costes and expences as well agaynste wynde and water as in all other thynges as ofte as nede shalbe, duringe the sayd terme and thent, wel and competently repayred shall leue and deliuer to the sayd Thomas and hys heires in thende of the sayd terme.

**T**he reparations by the lord at the entree of the tenaunt.

And the sayd Thomas Wyre now in begynnyng of the sayd terme the forsayd manour wyth thappurtenaunces shall wel and competently repayre, toward the wyich reparations it is agreed that þe sayd Rycharde lay out as much money as þe fyrst yerres rent of the sayde manour shal amounte vnto, yf the sayde reparations extende so farre, and all the same money so layde out by the said Rycharde he shal reterne for hys repaymēt of the sayd fyrst yerres rent.

**A** provision.

Þrouyded alway that yf the same reparacions come to more money then þe sayd fyrst yerres rente amounteth vnto, then the sayd Thomas all suche money more thē the sayd fyrst yerres rent, shal recontent and repay vnto the sayd Rycharde as sone as the sayd reparacions be made wythout any delaye.

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**Another prouision.**

And the sayd Thomas & his wyfe graff-  
ten & petytten by this Indenture that it  
shalbe lefull to the sayd Rycharde Hyll his  
heires & executours to make wythin þe said  
greate mesuage a place for theyr pleasure  
hurting no principalles of þe same & al such  
thynges by them to be made at thende of þe  
sayd terme or befoze at theyr pleasure to ta-  
ke away wythout any let or agayne sayeng  
of vs the forsayd Thomas & of any of oure  
heires executours or assygnes.

**A clause of reparation.**

And the sayd manoure wyth thappurte-  
nances thus at the begynnyng of the sayd  
terme beyng repayred þe sayd Thomas fro  
thens forth by al the sayd terme on his owne  
costes and charges shall wel & competently  
repayre, susteyne and maynteyne.

**A clause to repayre hurtes.**

And the sayd Rycharde & his executours  
aswel al such harmes & breakyng as by the  
theyr seruauntes or beastes in theyr negly-  
gence or default shalbe done to the sayd ma-  
nour with other the pmisses & theyr appur-  
tenances shall repayre & mende by all the  
sayd terme as also all hedgyng dychyng clo-  
sures of the sayde landes such as by the oc-  
cuppes



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cuppes of the sayd landes bene of ryght to be done shall kepe make and mende as ofte as nede shalbe durynge the sayd terme and them competently repaired in thende of the sayd terme shall leaue and deliuer.

**C**A clause for pauementes.

And also at theyr owne costes and charges when and as ofte as nede shall requyre shall adwel make and cause al the pauementes apperteyning to the sayd manour with in and without to be made and amended as also the seges of the same maner wyth the appurtenaunces to be clenched auoyded and repaired.

**C**A clause for dunge

and compost.

And þ the sayd Richard and hys executors all the dunge and compost comyng and growyng in and vpon the sayd manour and the ground therof shal cause to be layed & bestowed vpon the landes afore lettyn.

**C**A clause that he shall not

alien or set ouer his

landes for any years.

And it shal not be lesul to þ sayd Richard nor hys executors to let out þ sayd maner and landes w other the pmysses afore lettyn nor any parte of them nor to alien or sette  
ouer

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ouer bys sayd terme of x in the same or any  
parcell therof to any persons wythout the  
woyl consent and agrement of the sayd Tho-  
mas or of his heyres therunto in wyptynge  
had and opteyned durynge the sayd terme.)

**A clause for fyftenes.**

And the sayde Thomas bys heyres shal  
saue harmeles the sayd Wycharde and bys  
executours for all fyftenes that shall happē  
to be layde vpon the sayde landes durynge  
the sayd terme.

**A clause for quyte rentes.**

And the sayd Wycharde & bys executours  
all quyte rentes and other charges due and  
goynge out of the sayd manour wyth other  
thappurtenaunces to the chief lordes of the  
fee or otherwoyse shall beare & paye; durynge  
the sayd terme and therof shall saue harme-  
les the sayd Thomas bys heyres executours  
and assynges and euery of them.

**A clause of tryng.**

Also the sayde Thomas bys executours  
and assynges by all the laste yere of the said  
terme the sayde landes playne and euenlye  
sted and therevpon borrowed shall lene for  
medowe lesou and pastures wythout any  
ceyng of the same or any parcell therof dya-  
rynge the same laste yere.

of Indentures. fol. viii.

**A** clause to hauke and hunt.

And it shalbe lesul to the sayd Thomas durynge þe sayd terme to hauke hunte walke and dysporte vppon the landes afore letten not hurtyng therby the sayd tenaunte hys beastes, corne, grasse nor closures.

**A** clause for taxes and tallages.

And the sayde Rycharde hys executors & assignes all taxes and tallages to be payd to the kyng & hys heires kynges by reason of þe sayd manour or by reason of theyr goodes or ratalles at theyr owne costes shal beare and paye durynge the sayd terme.

**A** clause for fyrebote.

And it shalbe lesul to the said Rycharde his executors and assignes to take & haue vpon the same manour wth other the premises sufficient fyrebote, ploughbote, harrowbote, hedgebote and cartebote durynge the sayd terme wthout any wast therof to be done in any wyse.

**A** clause for a gowne cloth.

And the sayde Thomas for hym and his heires graunteth and byndeth him by these presentes to gyue and deliuer vnto the said Rycharde every yere durynge the sayd terme a gowne cloth of the value of. v. s. or els v. s. in money therfore.

**A** clause



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### **A clause of dystresse.**

And yf the sayd rent of .x. li. be behynd after any terme of paymēt therof afore specified vnpayd by space of. viii. dayes that then it shalbe leful to þ sayde Thomas hys heyres executors & assignes into the sayde manoure landes & tenementes wyth other the premilles and the appurtenaunces to entre & dystreyn & dystresses so taken lefully to beare away lede take dyue & carry away & the to withholde tyl the sayd yearly rent of .x. li. & al tharrirages therof yf any be to them be fully sariffyd contented & payde.

### **A clause of recurre.**

And yf it happen the sayd yearly rent of .x. li. to be behynd in part or in all after any terme of payment herof aboue sayd vnpayd by the space of a quarter of a yere, and sufficient distress for tharrirages of the sayd yearly rent there then can not be founde that then it shalbe leful to the sayd Thomas his heyres and assignes into the sayde manour landes and tenementes wyth other the premilles and the appurtenaunces holly to recurre and them as in theyr former estate to have agayne, receyue and repolled and the sayde Mycharde hys executors and assignes and all other thereof utterly to put out  
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of Indentures. Fol. ix.  
and amone, this Indenture notwithstanding  
bynge.

**A clause to entre for lacke  
of reparations.**

And it shall be lesfull to the sayde Thomas, his heyres, executours and assignes, at all tymes resonable and conueniente seasons and tymes when it shal please them, for to entre into the sayde two tenementes, with thappurtenaunces. And then to ouerse yf due and sufficient reparation of them be done and made in maner fourme as is afore sayde. And yf that any default of reparaciō be there then founde, that then the sayde Thomas, his heyres, executours and assignes thereof shal gyue due admonition and warnynge vnto the sayde Rycharde his executours or assignes such default to amend. And yf then the sayde Rycharde his executours or assignes, within thre quarters of a yere then next, and immediatly ensupnge suche admonicion and warnynge, gyuen as is aforesayde, suche defaulte of reparacion wel and sufficiently repayre not and make, that then immediatly there vpon it shall be lesfull to the sayde Thomas, his heyres executours and assignes into all & synguler the foresayde tenementes and gardaynes wyth

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21. 10. R The fourme of makinge  
chappittenaunces to recorde, & the same.

21. 10. R A clause to make a  
chymneye to

21. 10. R And also the foresayde Syr Hugh gran-  
teth and permytteth by these presentes that  
his heires or assignes, within two the fyrst  
yeres of the terme above specified, shal make  
or cause to be made a conuyniente chymneye  
of brycke in the hall of the sayde messuage  
or tenement afore litten, in such place con-  
uynient there, as shal seme them moost be-  
houefull and necessarye. Furthermore wyte-  
neth this Indenture, that the sayde Syr  
Hugh the daye of makinge hereof, graun-  
teth by these presentes vnto the sayde Rob-  
bert, that the sayd Robert shal kepe and re-  
tayne in his owne handes for the better stor-  
age of the ferme afore sayde durynge the  
said terme afore reherced, the fyrst halfe ye-  
res rent of the same ferme which is. xi. li. vi.  
s. viij. d. The whiche. xi. l. vi. s. viij. d. the  
sayde Robert shal well and truly repay to  
the sayde Syr Hugh within the laste yere of  
the said terme before that he depart out of  
the sayde ferme, ouer and besydes the hole  
yeres rent of the sayde ferme for the sayde  
last yere then to be due, that is to wit before  
that

that any hape, toine or cattall, or any other  
mouable goodes be had from or out of the  
sayde ferme, ozels for the same and thac-  
rages therof, yf any be, Robert shall fynd  
vnto the sayd sy: Hughe sufficient suretie,  
wherein he shall be contente to be payde at  
the feaste of saynt Martyne the byshop in  
Wynter next ensuyng the ende of the sayde  
ferme. &c.

**C** An Indenture for  
a femme.

Bys Indenture made the. xxiij.

**T**he day of Maye in y. xxij. yere of the  
reign of kyng Henry the. viij. be  
twene Thomas Wyllyngbye of  
Stratford in the county of Dorset gentle  
man & Agnes his wyfe daughter and heyre  
to A. T. on the one party, and Henry Bold  
son of the citie of newe Sarum in the coun  
tie of Wylshyre draper on the other partie,  
wytneseth that the sayde Thomas and Ag  
nes his wyfe haue graunted, betaken and  
to ferme let vnto the sayde Henrye all that  
theyr tenement and. xi. acres of lande thereto  
belongyng w<sup>th</sup> thappurtenances, set, lyinge  
and beyng in fouent in the sayde countie of  
Wylshyre. To haue & to holde all the sayde  
tenement & lade w<sup>th</sup> thappurtenances vnto

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The fourme of makynge  
the sayde Henry and to his executors and  
assignes, that is to saye, in as ample maner  
fourme and condicion, as one Peter Berre  
latelpe helpe and occupied from the feast of  
saynt Michael tharchangel last past before  
the date hereof, vnto the ende and terme of  
fifty yeres than next ensynge, and fullpe  
to be complete, yeldynge and payynge ther-  
fore yerelpe durynge the sayde terme vnto  
sayde Thomas wyllynge and Agnes his  
wyfe, and to the heyres of the sayde Agnes  
xij. pence sterlynge yerely at the sayde feast  
of saynt Michael tharchangel: also þ sayd  
Henry his heyres, executors and assignes  
shall discharge the sayde Thomas and Ag-  
nes his wyfe, and the heyres of the said Ag-  
nes of .x.s. sterlynge yerely to be payd vnto  
the lord of Wylton at two termes of the  
yere, that is to say, at the feastes of saynte  
Michael tharchangel and thannunciacyon  
of our ladye saynt Marye the virgyn by e-  
uen porcions. And the sayde Henry all the  
sayde tenement with other the premisses, &  
theyr appurtenaunces well, competentelpe  
and sufficiently shall repayre, sustayne and  
myntraue, and agaynst wynde and rayne  
shall make defensyble, as ofte as nedc shal  
requyre durynge all the sayde terme, and so  
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suffICIENTly repayred shall leane the same  
in the end of the sayd terme. Also it is agreed  
betwene the sayd partyes, that it shalbe le-  
full vnto the sayde Gentye, hys heires, exe-  
cutours and assignes, to buylde vppon the  
sayde ground at theyr pleasure: and the  
sayde Thomas and Agnes his wyfe and the  
heires of the sayde Agnes to fynde vnto  
the sayde Gentye, hys executores, or as-  
signes tymbre and stone for the buyldynge  
of the sayde tenement, as oft as it shalbe by  
them requyred: and yf it fortune and happē  
as well the sayde yerres rent of .xii. d. as the  
sayd yerly rent of .x. shyllyng to be behynd  
vnpayde in parte or in all, by the space of  
fytene dayes nexte after any terme of pay-  
ment at any of the feastes aforesayde when  
it ought to be payde, that then it shalbe le-  
full vnto the sayd Thomas and Agnes hys  
wyfe, and the heires of the sayd Agnes in-  
to the sayde tenemente with other the pre-  
mysses and theyr appurtenaunces to entre  
and distreyn, and the distrelles there so ta-  
ken leafully lede, dryue and cary away, and  
them to retayne and keape tyll they of the  
sayde rentes & the arrearages of the same, yf  
anye be to them, be fully recompensed and  
payed, and yf it fortune or happen as well

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the sayde yerelye rent of. xii. d. as the sayde  
yerelye rent of. i. s. to be payed unpayde in  
parte or in all by the space of a moneth next  
after any terme of payement at anye of the  
feastes aforesayde if it be lesfully asked, and  
no sufficient distresse can be founde : that  
then it shal be lesfull vnto the sayd Thomas  
and Agnes bys wyfe and the heyres of the  
sayde Agnes into all the sayde tenement w  
other theyr premysses and theyr appourte-  
nances to recetre. And as in theyr former  
estate to haue agayne, and recollede, the  
graunt of the sayde Thomas and Agnes, in  
any thyng notwithstanding. And the sayd  
Thomas and Agnes, and the heyres of the  
sayde Agnes all the sayde tenement w  
other the premysses and theyr appurtenan-  
ces vnto the sayde Henry, his heyres, execu-  
tours or assignes in manner and forme a-  
bovesayde, agaynst al people shal warrant  
acqyre and defende, duringe all the sayde  
terme of fyfve yeres by these presentes.

And furthermore, the sayde Thomas and  
Agnes his wyfe haue made, ordeyned, con-  
stitute and in theyr place haue put thei- wel  
beloued chylde Wyllyam Laurence and  
Edmunde Thomas, true and lawefull at-  
torneyes to hitte jointly and severally in  
their



their names & stedes; of and in the sayd tenement with other the premises and their appurtenances, and thereof to take possession and season, and after suche possessions and seasons, thereof so taken in the premises and stedes to deliuer possessions and season of the sayd tenement with other the premises and their appurtenances; into the sayd Henry, his executors and assigns after the manner, forme, and effecte of this their present dedes indented, holdynge them firme, and stable, and well agreable to all thynges that theyr sayde attourneis shall doe in the premises and euery of them. In witness whereof the parties aforesayde to these Indentures sundrelye haue set to their seales & gyven the day and the yere abovesayde.

**An Indenture for**

**a prentysse.**



This Indenture witnesseth that Peter Fretryck hath covenanted, & by these presentes granted hym selfe to be bounde to Thomas Gouke of the citie of Wyndchest. in the countie of South. Thonaker, with hym to dwelle and

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in maner of a seruaunte, alloweth hym to  
serue after the strength, fourme and effecte  
of the Statute of Northampton and Cam-  
bridge latelpe of seruauntes edyfied, and  
prouyded from yere vnto yere one after an-  
other that is to saye, from the feast of the  
Ascensyone of oure Lorde God nexte com-  
myng after the date of thys presentes vnto  
the ende and terme of seven yeares then  
nexte folowynge, and fullpe to be complete  
and ended durynge all the sayde terme, the  
foresayde Peter Frepelle, the sayde Tho-  
mas monke as his mayster well and trulpe  
shal serue, his secrettes worthy to be kept, he  
shal kepe, his commaundementes lawefull  
and honest at al tymes he shal gladly obey,  
and hurte to his sayde mayster he shal not  
doo, nor of anye other cause to be done, but  
to the best of his power he shal let, or elles  
his saide master thereof immediatly he shal  
warne. At cardes, dice, nor any other vnla-  
full and probybite game or games, he shal  
not play, tauerne nor alehouses of custom  
he shal not haunt excepte it shal be for the  
profite of hys sayde master, fornicacion in  
houses of his sayde master neyther wout he  
shal not do, by the whych his sayde master

in any thyng shulde or may susteyne or haue  
losse, he shall make no contracte of matri-  
mony ne mary wyth any woman wythout  
the lycence of hys sayd mayster. The goods  
of hys sayd mayster inordinatly he shal not  
wast nor geue or lende them to any persone  
or persons wythout the precept or especiall  
commaundement of his said mayster, from his  
seruice wythout a lawfull cause he shal not  
departe nother by daye ne by nyght, he shal  
not absent or elong hym self, but wel, truly  
and honestly as a good & faythful seruaunt  
ought to do, he shal behaue and vse himself  
as wel in wordes as in dedes, and this in al  
thynges after the vse and custome of the ci-  
tie of London & the sayde Thomas Monke  
the foresayde Peter. Item he hys seruaunt  
in all the arte and cunnyng whych he vseth  
in the beste maner he can or may, diligently  
shall teach and enfourme or do to be enfour-  
med asmuche as appertayneth to hys craft  
with due ordre of correctiō, and also he shal  
fynde to hys sayd seruaunte durynge al the  
abovesayd terme meate, drinke & clothynge,  
lynen and wollē, hose, shoes and bedding &  
all other thynges to him necessary as belon-  
geth to such a seruaunt to be founde as wel in  
sykenes as in health and also he shal geue



1113. 10. **T**he fourme of makynge  
and pay to hy's sayd seruaunt in the name of  
his salari or wages, that is to say for the. vi.  
first yeres of the sayd terme one peny & for  
the seventh yere that is to saye the last yere  
of the sayde terme twentye shelpnges ster-  
lynges and double raymētes sufficient to a  
seruaunte of that occupation and when the  
said terme of seuen yeres shalbe fully ended,  
the sayd Peter shal serue the sayd Thomas  
hy's mayster one hole yere then nexte folow-  
yng takyng of his said mayster for the same  
yere as much as he shalbe able to serue wor-  
king iourney worke. In witnes wherof the  
parties abovesayd to these endētures enter  
chaungeablye haue put to theyr seals: da-  
ted the viii. day of November in the. xviii.  
yeare of the raygne of our soueraygne lord  
Kynge Henry the. viii.

**A**n Endenture for a pzentyce.  
Hy's Endenture wytnesseeth that T.  
Smyth the sonne of Thon Smyth of  
Newe Say in the countye of Wyl-  
shyre marchant hath put hym selfe  
apprentyce wyth Wyllyam Webbe of new  
Say aforesayde in the countie of Wylshyre  
and after the maner of a pzentyce with him

to dwell from the feaste of Christmas nexte  
commynge after the date hereof vnto thende  
and terme of. vii. yeres then nexte ensuyng  
fully to be complete by all the whych said  
terme the sayde Thomas apprentyce, to the  
sayd Wyllyam as hys mayster shal and sayth  
fully shal serue, hys secrettes shal kepe, his  
commandementes lefull and honest euery  
where shal do, no fornication in the house of  
hys sayde mayster nor wythout he shal do,  
hurte vnto his sayde maister he shal not do  
nor consent to be done to the value of. xlii. s.  
by y yere or aboue but he to hys power shal  
let or auoide hys maister warne. Tauerne  
of custome he shal not haue but it be about  
hys maisters busynes there to be done. At y  
dyse cardes or any other vnlefull games he  
shal not pley. The goodes of his said master  
inordinatly he shal not waste nor them to a-  
ny man lende wythout his maisters licence,  
matrimonye wyth any woman wythin the  
sayde terme he shal not contracte nor es-  
pouse, nor from his sayd seruyce neyther by  
daye nor by nyghte shal absente or prolonge  
hym selfe but as a trewe and faythful ser-  
uaunte oughte to behaue hym selfe as wel in  
worde as in dede. And the sayd Wyllyam  
vnto the sayde Thomas in the Crafte the  
whych

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whych he vseth after the best maner that he  
can or may shal teache & enfourme, or cause  
to be taught and enfourmed, as much as to  
the sayde craft belongeth or in any wyse ap-  
pertaineth, & in due maner to chastice him,  
fynding vnto his said seruast meat, drinke,  
lynen, wolle, hose, shocs, and all other thin-  
ges to hym necessary or belongynge to such  
apprentyce of such crafte to be founde after  
the maner and custome of the cytie of Lon-  
don. In wytnes wherof the partyes afore-  
sayd to these indentures sunderly haue set  
to theyr seales gyuen the. xxii. day of Sep-  
tember in the. xxx. yeaere of the raygne of  
kyngge Henry the eyght.

An indenture for a prentyce.

**H**ec indentura testatur qd G. H. filius  
W. H. de C. in com. D. husbandman  
posuit seipsum apprenticiu E. W.  
cui & Haberdasher Lond ad arte ei-  
qua vtitur erudiend. et secū more apprenti.  
sui cōmoratu et deservitu a festo oīm scō  
rum anno regni regis Henrici octavi. xxiii  
vlsq ad finem et terminum octo annorum  
extunc proximo sequen. et plene. complend  
durant. quo termino p̄dictus Georgius pre-  
fat. E. tanq̄ magistro suo bene & fideliter de-  
seruiet, secreta sua celabit p̄cepta sua lici. et

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honeste libenter ubiq; faciet, damnum eidem  
magistro suo non faciet nec ab aliis fieri sciet  
ad valore. xii. d. p. annum vel amplius quin il-  
lud pposse suo impediet, aut statim dictum ma-  
gistrum suum inde pmoniet. Bona dicti magi-  
stri sui inordinate non deuastabit nec ea ali-  
cui illic accomodabit, fornicat. in domibus  
dicti magistri sui nec extra non committet, ma-  
trimonium non contrahet, ad talos seu aliqua  
alia loca illic non ludet. Tabernas non fre-  
quentabit cum bonis suis propriis aut alie-  
nis durant. dicto termino sine licen. dicti ma-  
gistri sui non mercandizabit. A seruitio suo  
predicto non recedet nec se elongabit, sed in  
omnibus tanquam bonus et fidelis apprenti. beni-  
gne se gerat et habebit per totum dictum terminum  
Et predictus E. prefatus B. apprenti. suum in arte  
sua qua utitur meliori modo quo sciuerit aut  
poterit, docebit tractabit et informabit vel  
faciet informari debito modo castigand. In-  
ueniend omnia sibi necessaria ut victum, vestitum,  
lineum, laneum, calci. & lectum suffici. per totum dictum  
terminum. Et ad istas conuentiones omnes &  
singulas ex parte dicti apprenti. bene & fide-  
liter tenendum et perimplendum forma ut su-  
pra idem apprenti. firmiter se obligat per pre-  
sentes. In cuius rei testimonium ptes predictae  
His indentu. sigilla sua alternatim apposu-  
erunt

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erant M. D. tunc maior Civitatis London  
A. D. D. S. tunc vicario. civilis civitatis. Da-  
rum London in festo et anno supradictis.

An indenture for the sale  
of a shyppe.

**T**his indenture made þe seconde day  
of Auguste in the. viii. yeare of the  
reigne of kyng Henry the. viii. be-  
twene Jerom Greene of the towne  
of Wylstowe marchaunte of that one partie  
and John Michell of trefw Roue in Corne-  
wall marchaunte of that other partye wyt-  
nesseth that the afozenamed Jerom Greene  
for the summe of. xx. li. of good and lawfull  
money of Englande beforeshande payde by  
the aforesayd John Michell wherof þe sayd  
Jerom Greene knowlegeth him self by this  
presentes to be trefwly contented payde and  
the sayde John Michell therof dyscharged,  
hath sold and by thys presentes bargeneth  
and selleth vnto the afozenamed John Mi-  
chel and to his executors and assignes the  
shyp called þe Goddesen of Wylstow of the  
nomber of. xlv. tonne or there aboutes lytel  
more or lesse wyth all suche apparrell or  
abyl-

Appoymentes belongyng to the sayd Wypp  
that remayneth at þ day & tyme of this pre-  
sent makynge in þ hādes of Wycheard Warr-  
kyu of Trewe Houe aforesayd that is to saye  
Cabuls, Anchars, Sayles, Ropes, & polleys  
maistes and pardes wyth all other maner of  
suche thynges belongyng to the same Wypp  
accordyng to the tenoure of an inuentorie  
therof made and deliuered vnto the sayd  
John Wyppell as in the same Inuentor-  
ye more playnlye it doth appere. And fur-  
thermore the said Jerom Brene promyseth  
graunteth by these presentes and byndeth  
hym Telfe hys executors and assignes vn-  
to the sayde John Wyppell and to hys hey-  
res executors or assignes to warrant the  
sayd Wypp from al maner of persones of any  
maner of clayme or iutresse of her to be clay-  
med wythin the realme of Englaunde or any  
other outward partie excepte men of warre  
for the space of twelue monethe and a daye  
next after folowynge the date of thys pre-  
sent Indenture. In wytnesse wherof to the  
premisses aforesayd aswell the sayd Jerom  
as þ aforesayd John Wyppell to thys present  
indentures enterchaigebly haue set to theyr  
seales. Yeuén the daye and yere abouesayd.

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The whych premisses & couenauntes aboue  
reherfed is sealed and deliuered by the han  
des of one Johan Wodcocke the seruaunte  
vnto the afozenamed Johan Wyche vnto  
the sayde Jerom Greene by the assente and  
consente of the sayd Johan Wyche.

A byll of couenauntes indented.

**H**ys byl indented made the. xxvij.  
day of the moneth of August in the  
xxx. yere of the reygne of our soue  
rayne lord kyng Henry the. viii.  
betwene Walter Thomas bayly of Dorche  
ster in the countie of Dorset on the one party  
and Rycharde Maioz of Cerne in the sayde  
county of Dorset Blouer on thother patty  
wytnesseth that the sayd Rycharde hath bar  
gayned and sold, and by these presentes bar  
gayneth and selleth vnto the sayd Walter  
iiii. c. weyght of woll good and marchanta  
ble for þ pryce of. vi. s. viii. d. euery weyght  
of them to be weyed at the kinges beame of  
Dorchester aforesaid, and the sayd Rycharde  
couenaunteth and graunteth by these pre  
sentes that al the sayd. iiii. c. weyght of wol  
shalbe of such goodnes as is a sãple remay  
nyng in the handes and custodye of Wyllyã  
Stone the elder bayly of Dorchester afores  
sayd indyfferently deliuered by the assent &  
consent

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consent of bothe partyes, for all the whiche  
sayd. liij. c. waight of wol the said Rycharde  
couenaunteth and graunteth by these pre-  
sentes to paye or cause to be payed vnto the  
sayde Thomas or to hys assygnes. ij. c. li. of  
good and lawfull money of England in ma-  
ner and fourme folowynge, that is to saye:  
in hande at the enscalynge of these Inden-  
tures thre score pounde; whych thre score  
pounde, the sayde Walter knowlegeth and  
confelleth hym selfe, well and trulye con-  
tented & payde: and of euery parcell thereof  
acquyteth and dyschargeth the sayde Tho-  
mas and his executours by these presentes  
at the feast of saynte Mycheal tharchangel  
next comynge after the date hereof an hun-  
dred pounde, and at the feast of Ester thā  
next ensuyng, thre score pounde withoute  
anye delay. In wytnesse whereof the par-  
tyes to these Indentures sundrely haue set  
to theyr scales: gyuen the daye and yere a-  
bouesayde, these beynge wytnesse, Edwarde  
Wyse, Leonarde Stone, Thomas Major,  
and Thomas Williams, with other.

An Indenture of the couenaunt  
of woodde.

Thys

**The fourme of makynge**



**T**his Indenture made the .xviij.  
day of Apryll, the yere of our  
Lorde God a thousande, fyue  
hundred, thyrtye and fyue, &  
the .xxvij. yere of the raygne  
of our soueraygne lorde king  
Henry the eyght, betwene Alouso Entierres  
marchaunt of Spayne of the one partye, &  
Thomas iuggler of the borowe of Charde  
in the Countye of Somerset marchaunte of  
the other partye: Wytneseth that the sayd  
Alouso hath bargayned and solde, and by  
these presentes bargayneth, and selleth vn  
to the sayde Thomas an hundred bales of  
Wholouse woadde, good and marchaunta-  
ble of suche goodnesse as the laste was that  
the sayde Alouso solde vnto the sayde Tho-  
mas. Al to which sayd hundred bales of woad  
after the fourme aforesayde the sayd Alou-  
so promyseth, couenaunteth and graunteth,  
by these presentes to deliuer or cause to be  
deliuered vnto the sayde Thomas or his al-  
lynes, factours or attouneyes at the kyn-  
ges beame in London, after the maner and  
fourme folowynge, that is to saye, fyfty ba-  
les of the sayde woad betwene this and the  
feast of Easter next commynge.

**And**



And other fyfthe bales of the sayde woad  
bytweene this and the feast of the Natiuity  
of Saynte John Baptist then next enluyng  
whiche hundred bales of woad, after the  
fourme aforesayde to be delyuered.

The foresayde Thomas byndeth hym by  
these presentes to receyue, or do to be re-  
ceyued of the sayde Alouso or hys assygnes  
from tyme to tyme, before anye of the sayd  
feastes as he or they shall be redye to dely-  
uer them at the sayde Brame. For al which  
sayde hundreth bales of woadde so as is a-  
foresayde to be delyuered: The same Tho-  
mas byndeth hym by these presentes well,  
and trulye to pay or do to be payed vnto the  
sayde Alouso or hys assygnes, readye mo-  
neye in fourme folowynge, that is to saye,  
for all the sayde fyfthe bales to be delyue-  
red by the feast of Easter nexte commynge  
twelue shyllynge sterlynge. And for the o-  
ther fyfthe bales of woadde, to be delyue-  
red by the feast of the Natiuitye of Saynte  
John Baptyst nexte commynge as the reste  
of the sayde hundred bales of woadde thre  
and twentye shyllynge and foure pence,  
for euery hundred to be payed in redye mo-  
neye as is aforesayde at the feast of Easter  
nexte commynge.

**The fourme of makynge**  
whiche shalbe in the yere of our Lord God  
M.D. cccc. lxxvii. without delaye in anye wyse  
And to the foresayde couenauntes, all and  
eueryche, and all other thynges on eyther  
partye of the same parties aboue reherced,  
truly to be kept and perfourmed in al thynges  
accordynge to the fourme aforesayde  
eyther partie of the same parties byndeth  
hym and hys executores and goodes vnto  
that other partie and to his executores in  
xx. shillinge, trulye by these presentes to  
be payde. In wytnes. &c.

**An Indenture for sale**  
**of wolle.**

**T**his Indenture made bytwene  
Thomas Jugler of Chard in the  
countye of Sommerset, Burges,  
and Marchant of the one partye: and Wyl  
lyam Dyster of Tutle in the County of De  
uonshyre wolle manne, of that other partye  
Wytnesseth that the sayde Wyllyam hath  
bargayned and solde, the daye of makynge  
herrof vnto the sayde Thomas thre score &  
foure sarkes of wolle, that is to saye. xxx.  
sarkes lytle more or litle lesse of Totiswold  
wol

wool of the growynge of this present pere  
good wolle and myddle wolle, all refuse  
layed aparte, for the pryce of fyve pounde,  
fyve shyllinges and eyght pence sterlyng,  
euerye sacke thereof. All whiche forsayde  
wolle the forsayde William couenaunteth  
and graunteth by these presentes to deli-  
uer or do to be deliuered in Curle aforesaide  
to the forsayde Thomas or to his assignes,  
at suche tyme and season, before the feast of  
Easter nexte commynge, after the date here  
of, as the sayde Thomas or hys assignes,  
shall requyre. All whiche sayde wolle the  
aforesayde Wyllyam shall cause to be pac-  
ked at Curle aforesayd by Robert Browne  
wolpacker, or for defaulte of hym by suche  
an other swoorne wolpacker, as the same  
Thomas or hys assignes wyl name, and  
appoynt. And the whiche sayde wool shall  
be caried and conueyed from Curle aforesayd  
vnto Southampton or vnto London, at  
the pleasure of the same Thomas or of hys  
assignes, and there in one of the sayd. ij. pla-  
ces at the kynges beame shal be wayed, and  
the sayde Thomas shall paye the costes and  
charges of the carpage of all the sayd wool  
from Curle vnto Southampton or to Lon-



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don at the pleasure of the sayde Wyllyam  
For all the which foresayde wolle after the  
pryce aforesayde so to be deliuered, the for  
sayde Thomas couenaunteth and graun-  
teth by these presentes to paye, or do to be  
payed vnto the sayde Wyllyam, or to his ex-  
ecutors or assignes in hande at the ensea-  
ling of these Indētures. lxx. li. The which  
thre score & v. poundes the sayde Wyllyam  
knowledgeth and confesteth, by these pre-  
sentes to haue receyued, and at the ful deli-  
uerie of all the sayde wol, the rest of al the  
moneye that all the sayde woll shall amoun-  
t vnto. And to the foresayde couenauntes, all  
and eueriche and all other thynges on ey-  
ther partye of the foresayde parties aboue-  
reherced, truly to be kepte and perfourmed  
in all thynges accordynge to the fourme a-  
foresayde, eyther partie of the same parties  
byndeth hym and his executores in. C. li.  
sterlyng truly by these presentes to be payd  
In wytnesse wherof. &c.

**A Warrantaunte.**

**T**ruffy and welbeloued we grete you  
well: And wyl and commaunde you  
that ye deliuer or cause to be deliue-  
red to our ryght truffy & welbeloued  
Robert Downā of our towne of Dorchester.

or to

obligations. fo. xx.

as to the bynget hereof, in bys name one  
bucke of season to be taken within our park  
of Claryngton, anye restraynte eyther com  
maundement made by vs to the contrarpe  
notwithstandinge. And this bylle sygned  
with our hande shal be vnto you a sufficyēt  
warrantaunte and dyscharge in that behalfe:  
Gyuen vnder our sygnet at our manour at  
Blenetwyche the last daye of August, in the  
xxix. yere of our raygne.

**C** An obligation of  
felowshyppe,

**A** Querint vniuersi per presentes nos  
Hieronymum Bentin. mercatorem  
Raguse. et oēs socios societatis mee  
dicti Hieronimi Leonar. Prestobalde  
mercatorē de ianua ac oēs socios societatis  
mee dicti Hieronimi & Leonar. teneti & qmli-  
bet nrum p se pro toto & isolid firmiter obligari reuerendis. epō & dñō dñō Tho. pmissi-  
ne diuina et scē Cecilie trās Tiberim sacro  
scē & bor. ecclie p̄sbi. eiusdē arch. et Briano  
Tuke mili. thesau. cameri dñi regis i duab⁹  
millib⁹ mercis Sterlin. soluen. eidē reueren-  
dissimo patri & Briano, aut eorum alteri vel  
eorum certo attorney seu executorib⁹ suis

C. iij. Ad

**The fourme of makynge**  
 ad vñ dñi dñi regis in festo natalis dñi pr.  
 futur. post datū pñcti ad quam quidem so-  
 lutionem bene et fideliter faciendū. Obliga-  
 mus nos et quēlibet nostrū per se pro toto &  
 insolidū heredes et executores nostros & suos  
 oīa que nostrū et illoz bona tam vltra mare  
 quā citra vbitūq; fuerint inuenta per pre-  
 sentes. In cuius rei testimoniū tam ego pre-  
 dict⁹ Jeronimus tā nomine meo proprio q̄  
 noīe oīm sociozū meoz societatz predictaz  
 quā ego predict⁹ Leonard⁹ tam noīe meo p-  
 prio, quā oīm sociozū meoz societatz pre-  
 dict. pñsentibus sigilla nostra apposui⁹ da-  
 tū. xxiij. die septembꝛis. Anno dñi. M. D.  
 xxxvij. Et anno regni regis Henrici octavi.  
 vicesimo nono.

**The condicion of**  
**the same.**

**T**he condicyn of thys oblygation is  
 suche; that yf the aboue named Jer-  
 rome and hys companye, Leonarde and his  
 felowshyppe, or anye of them well and tru-  
 lye paye or cause to be payed vnto the sayde  
 mooste reuerende father in God, and Syr  
 Bryan, or to the eyther of them, theꝝ hey-  
 res, executoures or assignes, a thousande  
 poundes sterlyng, in maner as foloweth:  
 That is to saye, at the feaste of Chyſtmas  
 next



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next comynge wythin lymytted tyme hū-  
dred poundes and at the feast of the natiui-  
tie of saynt Iohn Baptist then next cōming  
tyme hundred poundes wythout delaye in  
any wyse that then thys present obligation  
shalbe voyde and hold for nought and yf de-  
fault be made of or in paiment of any of the  
sayd two paymentes in partie or in al cōtra-  
ry to the fourme abouesayd that then thys  
present obligacion shal stande and abyde in  
full strength and vertue.

**C**An obligation.

**R**uerint vniuersi per presentes me  
Wyllm Frynde panarii Lōdon te-  
neri et firmiter obligari W. Bol-  
dyng de Tatwinton in com̃ Somers-  
die Clothpar in viginti libris sterlingorum  
soluend. eidm̃. Willm. Bolding aut suo cer-  
to attorn. hered. executoribus vel assignatis  
suis in festo Pentecostes primo futuro post  
datū presentū ad quā quidē solutionē bene  
et fideliter faciend. oblig. me heredes et exe-  
cutores meos p̃ presentes, sigillo meo sigilla-  
tas. Datū primo die April. anno regni regis  
Henrici octavi vicesimo nono.

**T**he englysh of the same.

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**A** maner me shal know by these pre-  
sentes that I Wylliam Frynde cy-  
tizen & draper of London am holde  
and surely bolde to Wylliam Gol-  
dyng of Tatwinton in the countie of Somers-  
set Clothier in twenty poundes of good and  
lawfull money of Englade. To be payed to  
the same Wylliam Goldyng or to hys cer-  
taine attourneye hys heires executours or  
assignes in the feast of Pentecostes next to  
come, after the date of these presentes. To  
the whiche paymente well and faythfully  
to be made, I bynde me, my heires and exe-  
cutours, by these presentes sealed with my  
seale. Dated the fyrst day of Apryl, the .xxix.  
yere of the reygne of kyng Henry the .viii.

**A** condition vpon a penaltie  
made vpon the same.

**C**ondicio istius obligationis talis est q  
si infra obligatus Wil. Frynde bene  
et fideliter soluat, seu solui faciat infra no-  
minato Wilhelmo Goldyng aut suo certo  
attor. heredibus executoribus vel assignis su-  
is decem libras in festo Pentecostes proxi-  
futuro infra limitato sine dilatione aliqua  
q tunc presens obligatio pro nullo habeat.

Sin-

*Sin autem in omni suo robore stet & effectu.*

**T**he englyshe of the same.

**T**he condicion of thys obligation is  
suche that yf the wythin boude Wyl-  
lyam frynde well and faythfullye paye or  
do to be payde to the wythin named Wyl-  
lyam Goldynge, or to hys certayne attour-  
ney hys heires executors, or assignes tene  
poundes in the feast of Pentecoste nexte to  
come wythin lymytted wythout any delay.  
That then thys presente obligation be had  
for nought, or els stande in all hys strength  
and effecte.

**C**An obligation where one is  
bounde to two.

**N**overint universi per presentes me  
Thomā Wyllyams de civi. noue  
Sax in com. Wilbyre mercator  
re teneri et firmiter obligari R.  
Jones de Elmister in com. Somers. genes-  
roso et R. Frobd de Tatwinton in comitatu  
Somersedie predictae Clothpar in quadra-  
ginta libris bone et legalis monete Anglie  
soluendas eidem Rycharde et Hentico aut  
eorum alteri vel eorum certo attorney he-  
redibus executorib<sup>9</sup> vel assign. suis in festo  
natiuitatis



**The fourme of makynge**  
natiuitatis sanc. Iohannis. Baptiste p[ro]p[ri]e.  
futuro post dat[um]. presentib[us] ad quam quidē  
solutionē bene et fideliter faciēdam, obligo  
me heredes et executores meos p[er] presentes  
Sigillo meo sigillatas dat. vnderimo die  
Iulii anno regni regis Henrici octau. xxx.

**The englyshe of the same.**

**I**f it knowen to all men by these pre-  
sentes that I Thomas Wyllyams of  
the cytie of newe Salisbury in the countye  
of Wylshyre marchaunt stande stedfastlye  
boude to Richard Jones of Ilmyster in the  
countie of Somerset aforesayde Clothyar in  
fourtye p[ou]ndes of good and lawful money  
of Englande to be payde to þe same Richard  
or Henry or to eyther of them or to theyr cer-  
teyne attourney theyr heires executours or  
assignes in the feast of the natiuitie of saynt  
John Baptist nexte comynge after the date  
of these presentes. To the whych payment  
well and faythfully to be made I bynd me  
my heires and executours by these presen-  
tes, sealed with my seale. Dated the. xi. day  
of Iuly, the. xxx. yere of the reygne of kynge  
Henry the. viii.

**A condicion of the same.**  
The

of Indentures. fol. cxiii

**T**he condicion of thys obligation is  
suche, that yf the wythinboudes W. Mo-  
wel and saythfully paye or do to be payd to  
the wythin named Richard de Jones & Hen-  
ry Stowde or to eyther of them, they he-  
res, executors or assignes twentye poun-  
des sterlyng, in maner & fourme folowynge,  
that is to say in the feast of al sayntes next  
comynge after þ date wythin wyrtten. x. li. &  
in the feast of saynt Androwe þ apostle then  
next folowynge. x. li. wythout any detaye,  
that the thys present obligation to be void  
and of none effecte. And yf default be made  
of any payment of the paymentes aforesaid  
that then thys present obligation to stande  
in hys full strength and verue.

**A generall quittance.**

**Q**uerint vniuersi per presentes me  
Richardu maidr. de Cerne in Com.  
Dore. Blouer remisisse, relaxasse, es-  
olimodo et pro me heredit. & executor  
albus meis impperu quiete clamasse Wil-  
liam de Dorchester in dicta com. Dorch.  
super omnes et omnimodas actiones ta re-  
ales q psonales scitas quevelas calumpnias  
debitas executiones et demand. que seu quas  
versus

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versus dictum Willm vñq̄ habui habeo seu  
quouis modo habere potero, ratibz seu causa  
quacunq; a principio mundi vsq; in diem pre  
sentium. In cuius rei testimonium pre sentis  
bus sigillum meum apposui. Datū secundo  
die Octobris. Anno regni regis Henrici oc  
taui vicesimo nono.

The englyshe of the same.

**I** Nowe all mē by these presentes, that  
I Rycharde maior of Cerne in þ coun  
tie of Dorsette Glouc haue remysed releas  
sed for euermore for me myne heyres and  
myne executors quyet clayme vnto Wyl  
liam Thomas of Dorchester in the sayd co  
tie Smyth al and al maner of actiōs as well  
reales as personales, lites, quarrels, det  
tes, executions and demaundes the whyche  
agaynst the sayde Wyllyam at any tyme I  
haue had, or in tyme commyng might haue  
by what soeuer cause or mater it be, fro the  
begynnyng of the worlde vnto the daye of  
makynge hereof. In wytnes whereof to  
these presentes I haue set to my scale, Yea  
uen the seconde day of October in the xxix.  
yere of the reygne of kynge Henry the. viii.

A quittance vpon an obligation.

Be



of Supplications. fol. xliii.

**B**e it knowen to all men by these presentes that I Edward ap Iſyllpam of Falstone in the countie of Wylshyre haue receyued at the daye of makynge hertof, of John Starke of the same towne in the said countie of Wylshyre poman. xl. s. sterlynges the whiche the sayd John owed vnto me by hys obligation. xl. s. sterlynges payable at the feast of Christmas laste paste before the date hereof, whiche obligation is loste and can not be founde. In wytnesse wherof, to these presentes I haue set to my scale. Yeuē the. xx. daye of October in y. xxx. yere of the reygne of kynge Henry the. viii.

**T**o the kynge our soueraygne lord.

**S**heweth & complayneth vnto your excellente hyghnes & moste noble grace your humble liegeman & daylye orator. R. Wyse, that where as R. ap. I. father vnto your sayd orator had of the gyfte and confirmation of your drect father of moste noble & famous memory kynge Henry the. vii. whose soule god pardō an office of y. constablenesship of Cornwal to haue & to hold to him & to his heires for euermore, as by his gracious letters patentēs therevpon made more playnly appereth & enioyed y. same peaceably durig his life, after whose decesse your sayd

The fourme of makynge  
sayd Oratour entred into the sayd office as  
sonne & heire vnto the sayd Rycharde & the  
same also peaceably occupied þ space of .xiii.  
yeres tyll now that one Morris ap Wyllyā  
yeman of your moste honorable garde þ, vii.  
daye of the moneth of Auguste in the .xxiii.  
yere of your most noble & honorable reygne  
came vnto the castel, with .xiii. persones de  
fenceable arayed for þ warre, that is to say  
wyth bowes, arrowes, bylles, sweardes &  
buckelers came & made forceable entre, not  
onely to the manifest breche of your graces  
peace and laudable custome of the countrey  
but also to the great inquietnes and distur  
baunce of the kynges liege men & subiectes  
In consideration wherof it maye. &c.

A byll of complaynt to the ryght honora  
ble lord cheefe Justice the lord cheefe  
Baron & other the kynges Justis  
and to euery of them.



Sheweth and complayneth vnto  
your dyscret wysedom your  
dayly oratour Edward Aprise  
of the towne of Falsstone in the  
countie of Wylshyre, that wher  
as yonce sayde Oratour the two and twety  
daye

of bylles of complaynte. fo.rrb.

Daye of July in the. xxix. yere of the regne  
of our soueraygne lord kyng Henry the  
viii. as your sayde oratour was goynge to  
Wylton, being in Gods peace and the kyn-  
ges, Rycharde byll with two in hys compa-  
ny, of theyr extoite powers atayed for the  
warre, that is to say, with swerdes and buc-  
klers at the houre of two of the clocke at af-  
ter noone of the same daye, there and than  
came vpo your said oratour with their swer-  
des drawen, your sayd oratour hauyng no-  
thyng about him but a walking staffe in his  
hand, stroke at your sayd orateur and gre-  
uously wounded hym, and yf there had not  
come rescowe your sayde oratour had bene  
flayne: not onely to the manifest breche of  
the kynges peace & laudable custome of the  
countrye and great inquietnesse and distur-  
baunce of the kynges liege people and sub-  
iectes, but also to the greatte boldnesse of  
suche semblable transgressours and offen-  
dours, yf this shuld be suffred unpunished.  
In consyderatyon whereof it maye please  
your lordshippes (the premysses tendelye  
consydered) to take such direction therein as  
by the pollitick wysdome of your lordships  
shal seme mooste expedient in that behalfe.  
And this at the reuerence of God, and in

D the



The fourme of makynge  
a waye of charitie, as your sayd matour hys  
lyfe endurenge, shall especyallye praye to  
God for the preservacyon of your discrete  
wyse dome long to endure.

The aunswere of Rycharde Byll  
to the byll of complaynt of  
Rycharde Dryse.

**T**he sayde Rycharde sayth that the  
sayde byll of complaynte is uncer-  
taine to be answered vnto: and the  
matter there in conteyned is but  
onely surmised to bere and trouble the said  
defendaunt. And without the sayde Tho-  
mas greuously wounded or stroke, the said  
Edward (as in the byll of complaint) is un-  
trulpe surmysed, al which matters the said  
defendaunt is ready to proue.

A byll of dette.

**N**owe all men by these presentes,  
that Rycharde Calwaye of Frome  
in the Countye of Somerset metcer  
oweth to Edmund Stone of Westburye,  
in the Countye of Wylshyre clothyng four-  
tye pound sterlyng of good and lawfull mo-  
neye,

of a byll of det.

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heye of Englande, to be payed to the sayde  
Edward or to his assignes at the feaste of  
Chyftmas nexte commynge after the date  
hereof: to the whych payment well and tru-  
ly to be made I bynde me, myne heyres, exe-  
cutours, and all my goodes, in wyneffe of  
the same I haue set to my seale and subscri-  
bed my name the .xix. daye of Auguste, anno  
D. xxix. Per me Richardum Calwaye,

### A Testimoniall.



All true Christen people to  
whom this present wytryng  
shal come to be sene, redde or  
heard, Cornelys Johnson of  
rezin and inhabytaunt with-  
in the cty of newe Sarum  
in the countye of Wylshyre, gretynge in oure  
Lorde God euerlastynge: For as moche as  
amongest all charytable dedes that any true  
chrysten man can do, and one of þ moost me-  
ritorious & acceptable vnto almyghty God,  
is to testifye matters of truthe in truthe, in  
settyng asyde of wronge, and in promoting  
of ryght. So þ al ambiguities and doubtres  
shewynge to the contrary the rather may be  
remoued and layed apart, where as for lack

D. 4.

of

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of knowledge myght ensu lamentable hurt  
pptye and incouuenyence (whiche God for-  
byd) Therefore I the sayde Cornelys John  
son at the desyre, mediacion and requeste of  
Godfrey Haryson late apprentyse and ser-  
uaunte with John Wan Caster, otherwyle  
called John Tryer douchman, for a decla-  
ration of truthe testifye vnto your vniuersi-  
ties, howe that I the sayde Cornelys haue  
bene acquaynted with the same John Wan  
Caster and his seruantes, that is to saye:  
James Dallon his iourneye man, and the  
sayde Godfrey Haryson in newe Sarum a-  
foresayde by the space of syre yeres, & haue  
knownen the conuersacion of them. That is  
to meane, that a matter of variaunce was  
had, and dependyng in newe Sarum afore-  
sayde betwene the sayde John Wan Caster,  
and the sayde James then his iourneyman  
and the sayde John Haryson then hys ap-  
prentyse, as touchyng hys delyueraunce  
of certayne wares and merchaundyses at  
certayne pryces by the sayde John Wan Ca-  
ster to the sayde James and Godfrey assy-  
gued, and therebpon to make vnto the sayd  
John Wan Caster accompte twyle in the  
yeare, that the sayde James and Godfrey  
sometyme made aboue theyr maisters pryce  
iiij.li.



of a testimoniall. fo. rbbij.

ith. l. v. li. x. li. o. there about, somtyme more  
sometyme lesse, and all charges payed, and  
before the sayde James departed from the  
scrupce of his sayde maister, the sayde Ja-  
mes and the sayde Godfrey made accompt  
vnto the sayde John Wan Caster theyr ma-  
ster, vpon which accompt the sayde James  
and the sayde Godfrey were indetted vnto  
theyr sayd maister in. xx. li. o. ther about, as  
the sayde James then (al good agaynst his  
sayde maister) by reason of the importunate  
losses by casualties had, as theyr packes. ij.  
tymes spoyled and robbed at Wyndchester,  
euyl dettes, and for meate and charges of  
two mē and two horses by the space of. xxij.  
weekes, the hyre of shoppes and standynges  
the charges of the sayde Godfrey, as paye-  
ment and other thynges to hym belongyng  
and necessary for the sayde. xxij. weekes, the  
which charges the sayde John Wan Caster  
shoulde haue borne as reason requyred that  
euerye man shoulde beare the aduenture of  
his goodes, and that yf the same James &  
the sayde Godfrey had bene allowed by the  
sayde John Wan Caster, caused the sayde  
James and Godfrey to be arrested and wer  
imprysoned within the sayde cytye of newe  
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The fourme of makynge  
Saw in the pryson called the Biate, by the  
space of seven dayes, and then caused the  
sayd James to be brought before syr John  
Bower knyght lord Fitzwarren and other,  
the sayde John Wan Caster surmyled, that  
the sayde James wolde haue done hym bo-  
dily harme, and there toke þ peace agaynst  
hym, by reason whereof he was bounde be-  
fore the sayde Justice, that the sayd James  
shulde not hurte nor harme the sayde John  
Wan Caster, vpon the which bonde so made  
and dyuers communications there had, the  
sayde John Wan Caster before the sayd Ju-  
stice and other clerly pardoned & released þ  
sayde James of al the foresayde arrerages  
and neuer to demaunde the same of hym,  
nor of none other. Notwithstandyng he let  
the sayde Godfrye then beyng bys pryncple  
styl there to remayne vnto suche tyme that  
the sayde Godfrye was content to be bolide  
by a byll of his hande to pape vnto the sayd  
J. Wan. xxij. li. contrary vnto all ryght and  
conscience, forasmuche as it was before re-  
leased vnto the sayde James bys iourney-  
man, and so departed with his masters ly-  
cente out of seruyce. Neuerthelesse, withyn  
the space of two yeres after the saide John  
Wan Caster made labour to the sayde God-  
fry

seye forasmuche as the sayde John Wancaster is free in London, that the sayde Godfrey vnder colour to become his apprentyce the space of .xij. yeres, wherupon the sayde Cornelys was called to counsaile, to wittenesse betwene them: And that the sayde Cornelys to be suertye for the sayde Godfrey shulde haue the one halfe of all the gaynes and profytes that shoulde come and growe by byinge and sellynge of the stocke of the sayde John Wancaster in London. Whych couenaunte was made bytwene them both, for none other intent and purpose, but by colour to occupye without anye forfayture by reason of foure yeres byinge and sellynge: and that it shoulde be lesfull vnto the sayde Godfrey at all tymes to be at his pleasure, to departe the graunt of the sayde Godfrey in any thyng notwithstanding. Al whych matters as is before (by me deposed) is and are very iust and true in maner and fourme abovesayde, by the way that my soule shal go to, and as I shal be saued at the dreadfull daye of dome, and that I wyll be readye at all tymes to auowe and make due profe yf nede be before al maner of iudges spiritual and temporall, when at suche tyme as I shall therevnto be requyred.



**The fouerne of makynge**  
In witnesse whereof to these letters testy-  
monials I haue set to my seale, and subseri-  
bed my hande the thyrde daye of June. In  
the yere of our Lorde God a thousand, fyue  
hundred, thyrtye and seuen, & the .xxix. yere  
of the raygne of our soueraygne lorde kynge  
Henry the eyght.

**A dede of gyfte.**

**I**t is knowen vnto all menne beyng  
present and for to come that I Rych-  
arde Southwolde of Freckeman  
in the countye of Suffolke gentleman haue  
gyuen and granted, and by thys my present  
deade haue confirmed vnto Andrewe Hud,  
John Hul, Robert Spyrng, John Rychar-  
des, Richard Wery and John Rychwe my ma-  
nour of Buryns with thappurtenances set  
and beyng in the towne, parrysche, and fel-  
des of Freckeman in the countye aforesayd:  
And all other landes and tenementes, ten-  
tes seruyces, and all and syniguler other he-  
reditamentes whatsoeuer they be. In wyt-  
nes of the same I haue set to my seale, and  
my hande, the .x. daye of Maye.

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A protection.

**H**ey by the grace of God kyng of  
Englande, Fraunce and of Irelande  
suppeme hed of thys church of Eng  
lande. &c. To al his baylyffes fayth  
ful subiectes, to whō this present wytyng  
shall come gretynge. Knowe ye that of oure  
special grace we haue receyued into our spe  
cial protection, tuicion, and defencion. R. A.  
marchaunt, otherwyse called, R. A. of. T. ha  
bur. or what so euer name he be called by w  
his men, landes, thynges, rentes, and al the  
possessions of the same R. the whych shal go  
into our seruice, in the company of our wel  
beloued & faythful counseller Reynold Bray  
knyght and tresurer of our warres aboute  
the vytaylynge of our armye, the which we  
purpose wpyth helpe of god to leade with vs  
to the partyes of Fraunce for our right there  
to be recouered & therfore we comaūde you  
that the same R. his mē, lādes, thynges ren  
tes, & all hys possessions ye mayntayne and  
defende. Not doyng to hym iniurie, hurte  
dyssease or to be done vnto hym. And yf any  
thynges be done vnto hym, that ye se it amē  
ded without any delay. In wytnes wherof  
we haue caused to be made, these our letters  
patētes to endure by oure yere, we wyll also  
that

**The fourme of makynge**  
that the same is. in þe meane whyle be quyte  
of all playntes of duety by wyte playnts or  
duty. Unde nihil quare impedit. And writ-  
tes of assyse of the laste presentation, wyt-  
nes my self at Westmynstre the .xxviii. yere  
of kynge Henry the. viii.

**The fourme of makynge Supplis**  
cations to the kynge and other  
lordes and estates.

**To the kynge our moste drede**  
soueraygne lord.

**S**hetwying vnto your hyghnes & mercy-  
ful grace in þe most humble wyse your  
humble & true subiectes. A. B. &c. cytezin of  
your cytie of. L. that where as late they cau-  
sed certayne bookes to be made agaynst the  
marhautes Italians, the whyche to theyr  
great heuynes and desolation, as they con-  
ceiue haue souid to þe greuous displeasure of  
your hyghnes, to the which they neuer intē-  
ded in theyr mindes to haue so attēpted but  
onely proceded of ignorance & simplenes so  
done they be as sorry and as heuye, therfore  
as euer poore subiects may be. And crie your  
grace bertely mercy. Neuer while they liue  
as nye as god wyl put in theyr mynde to do  
any thyng, that in theyr conceytes may re-  
dounde to the displeasure of your hyghnes.

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In consideration that they haue be your true liegmen, as they dare be reported by theyr neyghbours beyng your true liege people, and at thys day both be, and so entēde to be to their vitermost power to their liues ende It please youre hyghnes to be so gracious, and so mercyable lorde vnto them, to pardon them theyr offence aforesayd, so ignorauntly done and synply. And to dymytte them out of the durcste whych they be in. And to assigne them to be at theyr lybertie lyke as youre other subiectes be. And they shalbe your continuall oratours and praye to God for the preservation of your royall persone. And moste excellenteste state all the dayes of theyr lyfe.

**C**A Certificat.

**I**n the towne of S. Lucas of B:ytaine saturdaye the. xi. day of the moneth of May the yere of our lorde. M. CCC. xl. in thys day aboue said before the honorable W. B. byshop, Alcaydy ordinary of this said towne for the worthy and right noble lorde my lorde, lord Henry de Busmaynes Duke of the cytie of Medina, Sydonya, Erie of Nicola, lorde of the noble citie of Bybrie Alfare, & in the presence of me John de Oraga scriba publico of thys sayde towne, for the  
sayd

217. 107 The fourme of makynge  
said lord duke appered present Nicolas Ar  
nolde englysh abyder in thys towne, & sayd  
to the sayd Alcaydy in þ presence of me the  
sayde scriba publico, & the witnesses vnder  
wrytten. That for as much as it myght be  
two monethes lytle more or lesse that Nico  
las Warboys marchaūt englysh had lade &  
laded in the shyp of J. Wychels Wyfscayne  
neyghbour of Matrico. ix. tūne of Dyle con  
signed the one halfe to. R. Arnold marchaūt  
englysh his father neyghbour of the citie of  
London, & the other of the sayd. ix. tūne aue  
the charge & aduenture of the sayd Nicolas  
Warbois and for hym, and for as much as it  
behoued hym, and to hym was cōuenient to  
shewe by trowth & wytnes the aforesayd. in  
some parties and palces to hym conuenient,  
he desyred & asked the same Alcayde that  
he cōmaunded to receyue, & he wold receyue  
the sayde deposition of. W. B. marchaunte  
englyshe byder in thys towne, and that he  
shulde make to be asked, what it is that he  
knoweth of þ forsayd: for þ sayenge afores  
sayd. And that he shuld saye & depose by his  
sayeng, & deposition that he wold cōmaūde  
to gyue, and shuld gyue ferme of his name,  
and of myne the sayde Scriba publico, and  
the sayd Alcaydy caused to be receyued, and  
receyued

receyved the othe of the sayd. M. H. mar-  
chaunt englyshe by the name of god, and by  
the wordes of the holy Gospell accordynge  
to the fourme of right, and vppon the sayde  
othe made, he was asked for that he knewe  
of the forsaide. And he said that, þ he knewe  
was that it might be, ix. dayes lytel more or  
lesse that he goynge the same wytnes wal-  
kyng with the sayd R. M. by the plice of  
the ryuer of thys sayd towne, that the sayd  
Nicolas Arnolde sayd to the sayd Nicolas  
Marbois the. ix. tūne of Dyle that he laded  
in the shyp of John Wythels, were the one  
halfe yours, & the other halfe my fathers, &  
laded you them for hym and for you. & that  
the said Nicolas said wel, and that the said  
Nicolas Arnolde sayd againe, what thinge  
is wel say ye or nay. And then the sayd Ni-  
colas M. sayd yea he had laden the sayd. ix.  
tūne of Dyle, the one halfe for hym, & the  
other halfe for the father of the sayd R. Ar-  
nolde, & that he had not laden them in none  
other maner, and that thys that he knewe  
& past vpon hys sayd oth that he made. And  
the sayd Alcaydy sayd and cōmaunded me  
the sayd Scriuā publico. that I shulde giue  
of all wytnesse to the said Nicolas Arnold,  
and I haue gyuen him therof this mytynge  
acco:rdynge



The fourme of makynge  
accordynge as it is passed termed of þe sayd  
Alcaldy, and my name & sygne, that is made  
and past the daye, moneth, and yere aboue-  
sayd, wytnes of thys towne, and Peter Cer-  
rona scribas neyghbours.

The maner and fourme to make  
a testament or wyll.

**I**n dei nomine. Amen. The. xlii. day of  
the moneth of Marche, the yere of our  
Lorde God. M. CCC. xli. and the yere of  
the raygne of kynge Henry the. viii. after þe  
conquest. xxi. I John Amel the elder cyte-  
zen & cutler of Lodd beynge of houle minde, &  
in good memory lauded be God, make & or-  
dain this my þeint testamēt cōtainynge ther  
in my last wil i maner & fourme þe foloweth  
First I bequeth and recomende my soule  
to almyghty God, & to al the holy company  
of heuen, & my body to be buryed in the mid-  
des of the parische church of S. Mychael, or  
as nye therunto as it may godly be done af-  
ter the wyse dyscretion of myne executours  
Item I bequeth to þe hygh aulter of S.  
Magnus þe martyr besyde the bridg of Lō.  
wherof now I am a parischioner for my ty-  
thes & oblations by me forgottē, or wholdē  
yf any such be i my dyscharge of my soule, &  
þe curat there to pray specially for my soule  
iii. s.

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to the entent þ he take vpon him the execuci  
on of thys my present testamēt. xl. s. ¶ Itē  
I bequeth to Frañces Browne in the lyke  
maner for me. xl. s. ¶ Item the resydwē of  
my sayde goodes to be dysposed by my said  
executours for my soule & al christen soules  
in doyng of masses, aquiting of prysonners,  
releuyng of impotent people. &c. And thys  
my present testamēt and last wyl I make &  
ordeyne myne executours the said. R. A. ha-  
bur. &c. J. B. Steynor cytezens of Londō. In  
wytnes wherof thys my present testamente  
conteynyng therin my last wyl. &c.

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